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Office Action Summary

Application No.

09/576,188

Applicant(s)

TAGAMI ET AL.

Examiner

Matt P. Hodges

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Period for Reply

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 March 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 2 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 2 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 23 May 2000 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

The Amendment, filed on 3/21/2005, has been entered and acknowledged by the Examiner.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claim 6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Yokota et al. (US 5,260,627).

Regarding claim 6, Yokota discloses (see figures 1 and 9) a CRT including a panel, electron gun, deflection coils, screen, bulb, and an inner pincushion distortion correction circuit connected in series with the vertical deflection coil. Further (see figures 10 and 11) Yokota discloses a correction coil (74a and 74b) being provided at the same side of the electron gun as the deflection yoke and providing a preliminary deflection force. Further Yokota discloses a pair of diodes (91 and 92) having reverse polarities and connected in parallel with each other and in series to the correction coils (74a and 74b) forming a diode coil series circuit. The diode coil series circuit is then placed in parallel with a resistor (80) to form an inner pincushion distortion

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correction circuit. The inner pincushion distortion correction circuit is in series with the vertical deflection coils (71 and 72). (Column 13 lines 15-25 and 60-65). The correction coils are located at opposite sides of the central axis and facing towards each other. Further the current passing through each coil is equal, therefore the magnetic field formed by the correction coils is substantially uniform across the central axis between the coils and therefore across each of the three electron beams.

Claims 6 and 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Ogura. (US 5,936,363).

Regarding claims 6 and 7, Ogura discloses (see figures 1 and 2) a CRT including a panel, electron gun, deflection coils, screen, bulb, and an inner pincushion distortion correction circuit connected in series with the vertical deflection coil. Further Ogura discloses an E-shaped correction coil (6a and 6b) being provided at the same side of the electron gun as the deflection yoke and providing a preliminary deflection force. Further Ogura discloses a amplifier which controls the polarity of the signal. The use of a reverse polarity diode circuit would be inherent in the device as described by operation. The diode circuit is in series to the correction coils (6a and 6b) forming a diode coil series circuit. The diode coil series circuit is then placed in parallel with a resistor (13) to form an inner pincushion distortion correction circuit. The inner pincushion distortion correction circuit is in series with the vertical deflection coil (12). (Column 2 lines 25-47). The correction coils are located at opposite sides of the central axis and facing towards each other. Further the current passing through each coil is equal, therefore the

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magnetic field formed by the correction coils is substantially uniform across the central axis between the coils and therefore across each of the three electron beams.

Contact Information

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Matt P Hodges whose telephone number is (571) 272-2454. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimesh Patel can be reached on (571) 272-2457. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

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